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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the July 27, 2006 Office Action which set a three-month period for reply. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.136(a) and 1.17(a), it is respectfully requested that the period for reply be extended three months, i.e., to up to and including January 27, 2007. As January 27, 2007 fell on a Saturday, this paper is being filed the following business day, Monday, January 29, 2007. Enclosed herewith is a check which includes \$510.00 in payment of the fee therefore by a small entity and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment in such fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.